

**SENATE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_**

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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring Edith Vance-Jones on her 90th birthday.

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1       A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring Edith Vance-Jones  
2       on her 90th birthday.

3       *Whereas, Edith was born on April 8, 1923, to Mr. & Mrs.*  
4       *James F. Powell of Indianapolis, Indiana;*

5       *Whereas, Edith attended Public School #26, Crispus*  
6       *Attucks High School, and Indiana University-Purdue University*  
7       *Indianapolis;*

8       *Whereas, Edith worked at RCA for 36 years before retiring*  
9       *as a manager in 1979;*

10       *Whereas, Edith attributes her long and fulfilling life to her*  
11       *priorities of God, family, and helping the community;*

12       *Whereas, After joining St. John Missionary Baptist Church*  
13       *in 1936, she served in a number of leadership positions,*  
14       *including Sunday School Superintendent, Master Sunday*  
15       *School Teacher, President of the Missionary Society,*  
16       *Deaconess, Trustee, President of the Indiana Progressive*  
17       *Baptist Convention Women's Division, and Chair of several*  
18       *committees in the Indiana Council of Churches;*



1       *Whereas, Edith's dedication to her faith led her to be a*  
 2       *founding member of two different organizations through her*  
 3       *church: the Juvenile Rehabilitation Group, which has visited a*  
 4       *local juvenile rehabilitation center every month for over 50*  
 5       *years to provide spiritual guidance, and the Love Center, which*  
 6       *has provided food and clothing to community residents for over*  
 7       *25 years;*

8       *Whereas, Within her community, Edith's leadership skills*  
 9       *have shined as President of a multitude of organizations,*  
 10       *including James Whitcomb Riley School #43 PTA, Arlington*  
 11       *High School PTA, Northside Neighborhood Community*  
 12       *Association, Devington Neighborhood Association, Cloud 9*  
 13       *Chapter of the American Business Women Association, and the*  
 14       *Crispus Attucks High School Class of 1941 Alumni Association;*

15       *Whereas, Edith's leadership and consistent efforts in the*  
 16       *sector of public activism earned her a Jefferson Award in 1984;*

17       *Whereas, Edith has been fortunate enough to have two*  
 18       *great husbands, E.S. Vance and Charlie S. Jones, has raised six*  
 19       *wonderful children, and has been blessed with a number of*  
 20       *grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and*

21       *Whereas, Edith has traveled extensively throughout her life.*  
 22       *Some of her favorite moments from these trips are her baptism*  
 23       *in the Jordan River, worshiping with thousands of other*  
 24       *Christians in South Korea, the tours of New York, and*  
 25       *appreciating the scenery while driving to California: Therefore,*

26                       *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*  
 27                       *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

28       SECTION 1. The Indiana Senate honors Edith Vance-Jones on her  
 29       90th birthday.

30       SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to  
 31       transmit a copy of this resolution to Edith Vance-Jones.

